

Capacity Meeting Summary

March 27, 2009

Recovery Program Description/Outcomes

- Energy Efficiency Rebate Program
 - Additional guidance from U.S. Department of Energy is expected for this program
 - An important goal is to make it easy for the consumer
 - Potential for using existing Utility rebate programs to implement
 - Need for evaluation of existing structure and eligible products to ensure an easy rebate transaction
- State Energy Program preliminary application has been submitted. *OEI will work with interested parties before submitting full application.*
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants application due May 26, 2009.

Program Implementation and Application Process

- Potential exists to create an Advisory Committee to help review applications.
 - Need to remember short time-frame to spend the stimulus funds.
 - Broad group of stakeholders
- OEI will create an application process flow chart.
 - Intention to have contracts with applicants to ensure funding is spent responsibly and effectively.
- Setting rules up front- Timing will be crucial
- “Project checklist” could be helpful for applicants to determine which funding mechanism will fit best.

Measuring Success

- U.S. DOE has established some criteria, but not metrics.
 - Requiring a technical or life cycle cost analysis
 - Labor laws/requirements: Davis Bacon
 - Amount of energy saved per dollar spent
- OEI will report to federal government on a monthly basis and attempt to use existing reporting mechanisms.

Next Steps

- Next meeting with utility groups:
 - April 6, 2009 at 1:30 pm, location TBD
 - Tentative agenda: discussion of how best to implement Energy Efficiency Rebates program